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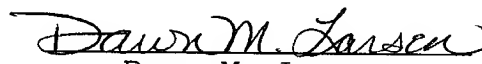
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For: METHOD OF REDUCING NO<sub>x</sub> EMISSIONS  
USING A FLUID-COOLED INJECTOR

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Sir:

Applicants hereby request that the enclosed information item be considered as part of the examination of the application. A list on Form PTO-1449 is attached hereto. A copy of the information item is enclosed.

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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3), applicant herewith submits a concise explanation of the relevance of the information item "AL" not in the English language. According to a description received from a German associate handling the counterpart European application, information item AL discloses an injection valve for injecting a fluid into a chamber being subjected to pressure variations during a low pressure phase, especially for injecting fuel into the combustion chamber of an internal combustion engine.

This submission under 37 CFR 1.97(b) is being made before the issuance of a first Office Action. However, if the first Office Action happens to cross in the mail with the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-5425 in the amount of \$180 pursuant to the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(p). A duplicate of this authorization is enclosed for charging purposes **should it be necessary** to charge the above account.

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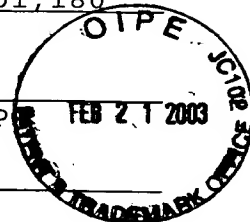
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